

Summary of Congressional Comments Regarding
Southeast Asia - 24 July 1964

On Friday, 24 July, Senator Wayne Morse addressed himself to the issue of United States military activities in South Vietnam, in a speech on the floor of the Senate.

Senator Morse underscored points he had previously made, such as his assertions that the U. S. is the aggressor, that U. S. activity is violative of the Constitution and our treaties with SEATO and the U. N. He stated that the war is now being waged in North Vietnam and deplored this escalation and the risk of war with China which it entails. Senator Morse also said, "No one in the U. S. Government has been able, up to this hour, to lay any evidence before the Committee on Foreign Relations that he has been able to find military forces of North Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, or China in South Vietnam."

Senator Morse advocated our participating in an international conference, or in the alternative, laying the entire matter before the Security Council of the United Nations.

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